



**City of Amesbury  
Lakes and Waterways Commission  
Meeting of June 27, 2013  
Amesbury Health Center Cafeteria**

**MEETING MINUTES:**

Commission members present: Chairman Bruce Georgian, Alex Pooler, Laura Pooler  
*Secretary:* Ken Aspeslagh *City Engineer:* Peter Manor *Prospective Member:* Tom Murphy

The meeting began at 6:37 PM.

1. **Previous Meeting Minutes:** The meeting minutes from May were approved unanimously.
2. **Other business:** Tom Murphy is interested in getting involved. Will be moving to Amesbury soon. Has experience in watershed protection groups where he used to live in Pennsylvania.
3. **Engineers Report:**
  - a. Water levels are at good spots but slightly above normal because of rain. Millyard and dams are fine.
  - b. Grants:
    - i. Previously 604b research was done to address point source pollution in Lake Gardner. Urban centers could not get 319 grants but DEP and the state ruled that we could get the grant since we already received the 604 grant. We submitted the grant proposal in the timeframe but haven't heard back yet.
    - ii. Lake Attitash is also pursuing 319 grant with help from Merrimack to fix drainage areas.
    - iii. Joining Greenscapes may fulfill education requirement of grant. Bruce talked to Stephanie (consultant from CEI) about it and it was included in the proposal.
  - c. **Lower Millyard:**
    - i. City lost grant money for cleanup of contaminated site.
4. **Assessment Document:** Bruce started working edits and executive summary for the assessment document.
5. **Lake Statuses:** Attitash has cyanobacteria. LAA has new signs to put up explaining water management and pollution issues.
6. **Lake Association Updates:**
  - a. LGIA:
    - i. Water sampling has started. Lake Attitash samples have looked cloudy.
    - ii. Canoe-O is July 20th.
  - b. Lake Attitash: None.
7. **Other:** Much debated campground expansion has been withdrawn after being rejected by South Hampton planning board.
8. **River Cleanup:**
  - a. Alex sent letter to boy scouts about river cleanup ideas.
  - b. High School also has a community service requirement that we might be able to look into.
  - c. Alex found a blog talking about how Rubber Ducks were found up and down Lower Powow.
9. **Water treatment tour.** Shoot for July 25<sup>th</sup> for water treatment tour.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM. The next meeting is July 25th.